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Re: Austin Chalk Zone, Reservoir A
Sugartown Field
Vernon Parish, Louisiana

Application is hereby made on behalf of **RME PETROLEUM CO.** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Austin Chalk Zone, Reservoir A, in the Sugartown Field, for which rules and regulations were established and drilling and production units were created for the exploration for and production of oil and gas by the 1422 and 1422-A Series of Office of Conservation Orders:

1. To dissolve the AUS C RA SUS previously created by Office of Conservation Order No. 1422-A-16, effective January 30, 2001, and simultaneously therewith, to create a revised AUS C RA SUS for the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the Austin Chalk Zone, Reservoir A, in the Sugartown Field, Vernon Parish, Louisiana, as shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit, with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acre basis of participation.
3. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

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The Austin Chalk Zone, Reservoir A, in the Sugartown Field, Vernon Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 1422, effective June 10, 1997.

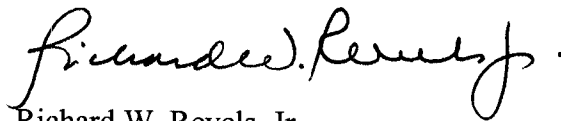
Pertinent data relating to the applicant's proposal can be obtained, **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY**, from W. H. Robbins & Associates, 140 Rue Beauregard, Suite 100, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508, Telephone No. (337)232-5004. This revision, which adds approximately sixty (60) acres along the south side of the existing unit, is necessitated by the south lateral of the unit well, the Crosby 2B No. 1 Well, extending approximately 125' south of the existing southern unit boundary.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, pre-application notice was given; however, no request for the conference was received. Therefore, the conference tentatively scheduled for July 26, 2001, **WILL NOT BE HELD**.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the proposed unit and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such plat (**being the same plat attached to the pre-application notice dated July 5, 2001**) and list of parties are being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the plat and/or list of parties will be provided to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant, in the amount of \$700.00, **made payable to the Office of Conservation** representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,



Richard W. Revels, Jr.

RWR/dbf
Enclosures

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cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties and
Interested Parties

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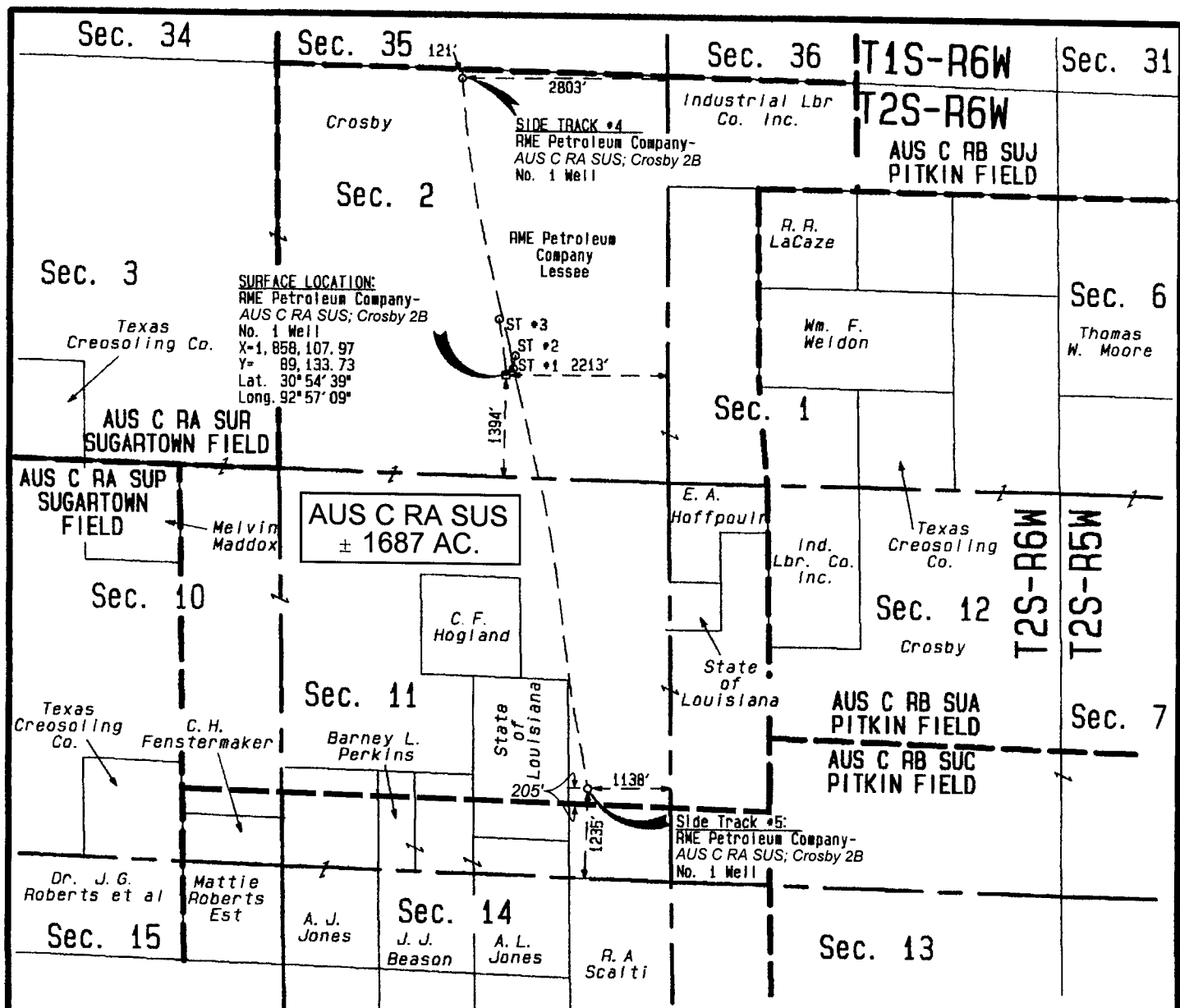


EXHIBIT NO.
DOCKET NO.

DATE:

RME PETROLEUM CO.

SUGARTOWN FIELD
VERNON PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED REVISED UNIT
AUSTIN CHALK ZONE

2000' 4000'

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